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H. R. 5335

To abolish the Space Force as an Armed Force, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 22, 2021

Mr. HUFFMAN (for himself, Mr. POCAN, Ms. TLAIB, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

To abolish the Space Force as an Armed Force, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the “No Militarization of
5 Space Act”.

6 SEC. 2. ABOLISHMENT OF THE SPACE FORCE AS AN ARMED

7 FORCE.

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after sub-
9 mitting to the congressional defense committees the report
10 required under subsection (c)(2), but not later than one

1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Secretary of the Air Force, shall abolish the Space Force as an Armed Force within the Department of the Air Force in accordance with this section.

6 (b) CESSATION OF CERTAIN TRANSFER ACTIVITIES.—During the period preceding the abolishment of the Space Force pursuant to subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense may not transfer any authorities, duties, functions, missions, personnel, units, facilities, or assets from another Armed Force to the Space Force.

12 (c) PLAN FOR TRANSFER.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall complete the development of a plan to transfer all authorities, duties, functions, missions, personnel, units, facilities, and assets from the Space Force to the appropriate commands of the Armed Forces.

20 (2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on the plan described in paragraph (1).

25 (d) DISSOLUTION OF THE SPACE FORCE.—

1 (1) TRANSFER TO AIR FORCE SPACE COM-
2 MAND.—Except as provided by paragraph (2), effec-
3 tive upon the abolishment of the Space Force, there
4 are transferred to the Air Force Space Command
5 the authorities, duties, functions, missions, per-
6 sonnel, units, facilities, and assets of the Space
7 Force.

8 (2) TRANSFER OUTSIDE OF AIR FORCE SPACE
9 COMMAND.—Effective upon the abolishment of the
10 Space Force, any authorities, duties, functions, mis-
11 sions, personnel, units, facilities, and assets trans-
12 ferred to the Space Force from a command of an
13 Armed Force other than the Air Force Space Com-
14 mand shall be returned to such other command.

15 (e) REPEAL OF RELEVANT LAWS.—Effective upon
16 the abolishment of the Space Force, the following subtitles
17 are repealed and any provisions of law amended or re-
18 pealed by such subtitles are restored or revived as if such
19 subtitles had not been enacted:

20 (1) Subtitle D of title IX of the National De-
21 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020 (Pub-
22 lic Law 116–92).

23 (2) Subtitle C of title IX of the National De-
24 fense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (Pub-
25 lic Law 116–283).

1 (f) REFERENCES IN LAW.—Effective upon the abol-
2 ishment of the Space Force, any reference to the Space
3 Force in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or
4 other paper of the United States shall be deemed to be
5 a reference to the Air Force Space Command.

6 (g) CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES DE-
7 FINED.—The term “congressional defense committees”
8 has the meaning given such term in section 101(a)(16)
9 of title 10, United States Code.

